

# HOSA – PLTW MIDDLE SCHOOL CROSSWALK



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## ***HOSA AND PLTW MIDDLE SCHOOL CROSSWALK***

HOSA–Future Health Professionals is the largest student organization for those interested in pursuing careers in the health professions. The purpose of HOSA is to develop leadership and technical skills as an integral part of the instructional program. The competitive events program allows students to pursue academic, technical, leadership, and teamwork abilities through participation. The development of these skills leads to providing the pipeline for the health providers of the future. The organization serves three divisions: postsecondary, secondary, and middle school. Beginning with the HOSA 2016 International Leadership Conference, competitive events were offered to the middle school division.



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Project Lead The Way's PLTW Gateway program, designed for grades six through eight, engages students in biomedical science, computer science, and engineering activities and career exploration. The program empowers students to build knowledge and skills in problem-solving, critical and creative thinking, communication, collaboration, and perseverance. In the PLTW Gateway Medical Detectives unit, students play the role of real-life medical detectives as they collect and analyze medical data to diagnose diseases. They solve medical mysteries through hands-on projects and labs, measure and interpret vital signs, dissect a sheep brain, investigate disease outbreaks, and explore how a breakdown within the human body can lead to dysfunction.

The three lessons of the Medical Detectives unit are designed to promote the investigation of the biomedical sciences:

**Lesson 1 Disease Detectives**  
**Lesson 2 Mysteries of the Human Body**  
**Systems Lesson 3 Outbreak!**

## **MIDDLE SCHOOL DIVISION HOSA COMPETITIVE EVENTS**

**Barbara James Service Award**  
**Dynamic Decisions**  
**Exploring Medical Innovations**  
**Extemporaneous Health Poster**  
**Foundations of HOSA Bowl**  
**Foundations of Medical Reading**  
**Foundations of Medical Terminology**  
**Foundations of Nutrition**  
**Foundations of Veterinary Science**  
**Health Career Display – Middle School**  
**Health Career Exploration**  
**Health Career Preparation**  
**Health Education**  
**Health Literacy Ambassador**  
**HOSA Happenings**  
**Healthy Lifestyle**  
**Life Threatening Situations**  
**Math for Health Careers**  
**National Service Project**  
**Prepared Speaking**  
**Public Health**  
**Speaking Skills**

Find additional information regarding the specific events @ [hosa.org/guidelines](https://hosa.org/guidelines)

HOSA and PLTW are vested in a partnership to provide a variety of unique strategies to enhance student engagement and learning. The following resource provides a customized crosswalk of the PLTW Medical Detective lessons to the HOSA Middle School Competitive Events Program. Each “X” in the following crosswalk indicates a connection between content in a particular lesson and indicates an opportunity to include and reinforce knowledge and skills needed for successful preparation for specific HOSA competitive events

## HOSA–PLTW GATEWAY MEDICAL DETECTIVES CROSSWALK

Project Lead The Way      Medical Detectives			
Middle School			
Lessons:	1	2	3
Barbara James Service Award			
Dynamic Decisions	X	X	X
Exploring Medical Innovations	X	X	X
Extemporaneous Health Poster	X	X	X
Foundations of HOSA Bowl	X	X	X
Foundations of Medical Reading	X	X	X
Foundations of Medical Terminology	X	X	
Foundations of Nutrition			
Foundations of Veterinary Science	X	X	X
Health Career Display	X	X	X
Health Career Exploration	X	X	X
Health Career Preparation	X	X	X
Health Education	X		X
Health Literacy Ambassador	X	X	X
HOSA Happenings			
Healthy Lifestyle	X		
Life Threatening Situations			
Math for Health Careers	X	X	X
National Service Project			
Public Health	X	X	X
Prepared Speaking	X	X	X